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LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)

2 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 52, wherein said article is an incontinence product.

3 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 52, wherein said article is a diaper.

4 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 52, wherein the at least one fastener comprises one of a generally rectangular shape, square shape, circular shape, triangular shape, oval shape, linear shape and
5 a combination thereof.

5 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 52, wherein the at least one fastener is generally rectangular in shape.

6 (Canceled).

7 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[6]] 52, wherein the active fastening material comprises a plurality of hooks.

8 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 7, wherein the plurality of hooks are configured in rows of about 4 rows of hooks/cm² to about 30 rows of hooks/cm² independently in at least one of the machine
5 direction and the cross-machine direction.

9 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 7, wherein the plurality of hooks have a

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density of about 100 hooks/cm² to about 750 hooks/cm²
independently in at least one of the machine direction and the
5 cross machine direction.

10 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent
article of claim 7, wherein the active fastening material is
configured in at least two selective surface areas; wherein
each selective surface area has a hook density of about 2 cm²
5 to about 8 cm² independently in at least one of the machine
direction and the cross machine direction.

11 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent
article of claim 52, wherein the at least one fastener
comprises an anchor end and a user end.

12 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent
article of claim 11, wherein at least one of the anchor end and
the user end of the at least one fastener comprises at least
one of a generally rectangular shape, square shape, circular
5 shape, triangular shape, oval shape and a linear shape.

13 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim
11, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener has a
shear strength of greater than 3,000 grams tensile.

14 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim
11, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener has a
length of about 0.75 to about 1.25 inches and a width of about
1.5 to about 4.0 inches.

15 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim
11, wherein the user end of the at least one fastener has a
shear strength of greater than 2,000 grams tensile.

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16 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 11, wherein the user end of the at least one fastener has a width of about 0.75 to about 2.0 inches.

17 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 11, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener is affixed to the at least one outside surface of the outer cover by at least one of thermal point bonding,
5 ultrasonic bonding and adhesive bonding.

18 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 17, wherein the adhesive bonding may be applied by a pattern of at least one of an adhesive bead, line, swirl and dot independently in at least one of the machine
5 direction and the cross machine direction.

19 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 18, wherein the at least one adhesive bead is less than about 0.25 inches in width.

20 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 52, wherein the outer cover provides an active landing material.

21 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 52, wherein the outer cover comprises at least one attachment panel.

22 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 21, wherein the at least one attachment panel comprises loop material.

23 (Canceled).

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24 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 55, wherein the pair of ears comprise an elastomeric material.

25 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 24, wherein the elastomeric material is a neck-bonded laminate (NBL).

26 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 55, wherein the at least one fastener comprises an anchor end and a user end.

27 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 26, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener is reinforced with glue.

28 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 26, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener has a shear strength of greater than 3,000 grams tensile.

29 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 26, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener has a length of about 0.75 to about 1.25 inches and a width of about 1.5 to about 4.0 inches.

30 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 26, wherein the user end of the at least one fastener has a shear strength of greater than 2,000 grams tensile.

31 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 26, wherein the user end of the at least one fastener has a width of about 0.75 to about 2.0 inches.

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32 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 55, wherein said article is an incontinence product.

33 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 55, wherein said article is a diaper.

34 (Canceled).

35 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[34]] 55, wherein the active fastening material comprises a plurality of hooks.

36. (Canceled).

37 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[57]] 63, wherein said article is an incontinence product.

38 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[57]] 63, wherein said article is a diaper.

39 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[57]] 63, wherein the active fastening surface of the at least one single piece of flexible material is substantially covered by active fastening material.

40 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 39, wherein the active fastening material comprises a plurality of hooks.

41 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[57]] 63, wherein the outer cover comprises a pair of ears.

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42 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 41, wherein the pair of ears comprise an elastomeric material.

43 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 42, wherein the elastomeric material is a neck-bonded laminate (NBL).

44 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article of claim [[57]] 63, wherein the at least one fastener comprises an anchor end and a user end.

45 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 44, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener is affixed to the at least one outside surface of the outer cover by at least one of thermal point bonding,
5 ultrasonic bonding and adhesive bonding.

46 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 45, wherein the adhesive bonding may be applied as at least one of an adhesive bead, line, swirl and dot independently in at least one of the machine direction and
5 the cross machine direction.

47 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 46, wherein the at least one adhesive bead is less than about 0.25 inches in width.

48 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 44, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener has a shear strength of greater than 3,000 grams tensile.

49 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 41, wherein the anchor end of the at least one fastener has a

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length of about 0.75 to about 1.25 inches and a width of about 1.5 to about 4.0 inches.

50 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 44, wherein the user end of the at least one fastener has a shear strength of greater than 2,000 grams tensile.

51 (Original). The disposable absorbent article of claim 44, wherein the user end of the at least one fastener has a width of about 0.75 to about 2.0 inches.

52 (Currently amended). A disposable absorbent article comprising:

a first waist region;

a second waist region;

5 a crotch region extending longitudinally between the first and second waist regions, the absorbent article being foldable generally within the crotch region to configure said article with the first waist region in generally opposed relationship with the second waist region; and

10 at least one fastener comprising a single piece of flexible material having an active fastening surface extending continuously thereon, at least a portion of the active fastening surface being located on the fastener adapted for anchoring to said article generally at said first waist region
15 and at least one other portion of the active fastening material being located on the fastener for fastening to said article generally at said second waist region to secure said article on a wearer, the active fastening surface being substantially covered by an active fastening material.

53 (Previously presented). A disposable absorbent article as set forth in claim 52 wherein said article has an inner

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surface adapted for contiguous relationship with the body of the wearer and an outer surface, the at least one fastener
5 being adapted for anchoring to the outer surface of said article generally at said first waist region and for fastening to said outer surface at said second waist region to secure said article on the wearer.

54 (Previously presented). A disposable absorbent article as set forth in claim 52 further comprising a liner defining the inner surface of said article, an outer cover in opposed relationship with the liner and defining the outer surface of
5 said article, and an absorbent core between the liner and the outer cover.

55 (Currently amended). A disposable absorbent article comprising:

- a first waist region;
- a second waist region;
- 5 a crotch region extending longitudinally between the first and second waist regions, the absorbent article being foldable generally within the crotch region to configure said article with the first waist region in generally opposed relationship with second waist region;
- 10 an outer cover;
- a pair of ears generally at the first waist region; and
- at least one fastener comprising a single piece of flexible material having an active fastening surface extending continuously thereon, at least a portion of the active
15 fastening surface being located on the fastener adapted for anchoring to said article generally at said first waist region and at least one other portion of the active fastening material

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being located on the fastener for fastening to said article generally at said second waist region to secure said article on a wearer, the active fastening surface being substantially covered by an active fastening material.

56 (Previously presented). The disposable absorbent article of claim 55 wherein the ears are formed integrally with the outer cover at the first waist region of said article.

57 (Canceled).

58 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article as set forth in claim [[57]] 63 wherein said fastener is secured to said article at said first waist region by adhesive.

59 (Canceled).

60 (Canceled).

61 (Currently amended). The disposable absorbent article as set forth in claim [[60]] 63 wherein said ~~fastening surface~~ active fastening material of said at least one fastener comprises a plurality of hooks, said hooks being fastenably engageable with the article at said first waist region.

62 (New). A disposable absorbent article having a longitudinal direction and a lateral direction, said article comprising:

- a first waist region;
- a second waist region;
- a crotch region extending longitudinally between the first and second waist regions, the absorbent article being foldable generally within the crotch region to configure said article

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with the first waist region in generally opposed relationship
10 with the second waist region; and
at least one fastener comprising a single piece of
flexible material having an active fastening surface extending
continuously thereon, at least a portion of the active
fastening surface being located on the fastener for fastening
15 to said article generally at said first waist region and at
least one other portion of the active fastening material being
located on the fastener for fastening to said article generally
at said second waist region to secure said article on a wearer,
the active fastening surface comprising an active fastening
20 material, said fastening material being releasably engageable
with the article.

63 (New). A disposable absorbent article comprising:

a first waist region;
a second waist region;
a crotch region extending longitudinally between the first
5 and second waist regions, the absorbent article being foldable
generally within the crotch region to configure said article
with the first waist region in generally opposed relationship
with second waist region; and

at least one fastener comprising a single piece of
10 flexible material comprising an active fastening material, a
first portion of the active fastening material being located on
the fastener for fastening engagement with said article
generally at said first waist region and a second portion of
the active fastening material being located on the fastener for
15 fastening engagement with said article generally at said second
waist region to secure said article on a wearer, said fastener
being affixed to said article generally at said first portion

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of the active fastening material other than by said active fastening material.

64. (New) A disposable absorbent article as set forth in claim 63 wherein the fastener is bonded to said article generally at said first waist region.

65. (New) A disposable absorbent article as set forth in claim 64 wherein the fastener is bonded to said article at said first waist region by adhesive.